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SUBJECT: CONVENTION PROVIDING A UNIFORM LAW ON THE FORM
OF AN INTERNATIONAL WILL, DONE AT WASHINGTON ON OCTOBER 26,
1973

1. SUBJECT CONVENTION, FOR WHICH USG IS SOLE DEPOSITARY,
ENTERED INTO FORCE ON FEBRUARY 9, 1978 FOR NIGER, CANADA
(MANITOBA AND NEWFOUNDLAND ONLY), PORTUGAL, LIBYA AND
YUGOSLAVIA. IT IS NOTED THAT UPON SIGNING WILLS CONVEN-
TION ON JULY 26, 1974, ECUADOR MADE STATEMENT WHICH READS,
IN TRANSLATION, AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE THE EMBASSY OF ECUADOR IS PLEASED TO STATE THAT, AS
OF THIS DATE, ECUADOR AUTORIZES ALL NOTARIES PUBLIC OF
THE REPUBLIC TO DRAW UP INTERNATIONALLY VALID WILLS IN ITS
TERRITORY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ECUADOREAN LAWS. UNQUOTE

2. TO BECOME A PARTY TO THE WILLS CONVENTION, ECUADOR
MUST DEPOSIT AN INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION WITH USG.
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EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO REMIND FONMIN OF THIS REQUIREMENT,
POINTING OUT THAT ECUADOR MUST BECOME A PARTY TO CONVEN-
TION, IN ORDER TO RECEIVE ALL ITS BENEFITS.

3. ARTICLE I, PARAGRAPH 4, OF THE CONVENTION STATES THAT
EACH CONTRACTING PARTY SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPOSITARY

GOVERNMENT THE TEXT OF THE RULES INTRODUCED INTO ITS
NATIONAL LAW IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF
THE CONVENTION. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM FONMIN
OF THIS FURTHER REQUIREMENT UNDER THE CONVENTION. VANCE

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